

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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In the matter of:

2013 Building Energy Efficiency Standards,)	Docket No. 12-BSTD-01
California Code of Regulations, Title 24,)	Order No. 14-1210-09
Parts 1 and 6)	

**PROPOSED ORDER TO APPROVE AN ALTERNATIVE PROTOCOL AND TO APPROVE ENERGY PRO
VERSION 6.2 NONRESIDENTIAL COMPLIANCE SOFTWARE THROUGH 5:00 PM ON MARCH 31,
2015**

In this order, the California Energy Commission adopts the Executive Director's Recommendation, attached as Exhibit A, and approves:

1. An alternative protocol that the Energy Commission may use to conditionally approve nonresidential vendor software (also known as an Alternative Calculation Method) that does not integrate the Public Domain Compliance Manager but meets specific time dependent valuation (TDV) requirements, that building permit applicants may conditionally use until 5:00 PM on March 31, 2015 to demonstrate compliance with the performance approach (i.e. using energy budgets) of the nonresidential provisions of the 2013 Building Energy Efficiency Standards, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 6, and associated administrative regulations in Part 1, Chapter 10 (Standards); and
2. Energy Pro Version 6.2 for nonresidential buildings, by Energy Soft, as 2013 nonresidential compliance software pursuant to the above alternative protocol that building permit applicants may use conditionally until 5:00 PM on March 31, 2015 to demonstrate compliance with the Standards.

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 10-109 (h) of the Standards, in addition to the procedures and protocols identified in the Alternative Calculation Method Approval Manuals and the Reference Appendices, the Commission may authorize alternative procedures and protocols that demonstrate compliance with Part 6;

WHEREAS, the Executive Director recommends Alternative Calculation Methods that do not integrate the California Building Energy Code Compliance Nonresidential (CBECC-Com) Application Program Interface (API) Compliance Manager but still meet specific TDV requirements, specified in Exhibit A attached hereto, to be conditionally approved through 5:00

PM on March 31, 2015 as compliance software valid for demonstrating compliance with the Standards;

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has reviewed EnergySoft's application for EnergyPro Version 6.2 to be an Alternative Calculation Method and has tested EnergyPro Version 6.2 to ensure it meets the alternate procedure or protocol attached as Exhibit A, to be conditionally approved through 5:00 PM on March 31, 2015;

WHEREAS the Executive Director recommends EnergyPro Version 6.2 be conditionally approved until 5:00 PM on March 31, 2015 as an Alternative Calculation Method to demonstrate compliance with the nonresidential provisions of the Standards;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 25218.5 of the Public Resources Code, the provisions specifying any power or duty of the commission shall be liberally construed, in order to carry out the objectives of Public Resources Code section 25000 et seq. (Warren-Alquist Act);

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 25218, subdivision (e) of the Public Resources Code, in addition to the powers specified in Warren-Alquist Act, the commission may take any reasonable action necessary to carry out the Warren-Alquist Act;

THEREFORE, the Commission confirms the Executive Director's findings and adopts his Recommendation to approve the alternative procedure or protocol in the Executive Director's Recommendation, in Exhibit A, that Alternative Calculation Methods which do not integrate the public domain Compliance Manager, but still meet specific TDV requirements, be conditionally approved through 5:00 PM on March 31, 2015;

THEREFORE, the Commission conditionally approves EnergyPro Nonresidential Version 6.2 software, pursuant to the alternative procedure or protocol, as an Alternative Calculation Method that building permit applicants may conditionally use until 5:00 PM on March 31, 2015 to demonstrate compliance with the nonresidential provisions of the Standards.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Secretary to the Commission does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the California Energy Commission held on December 10, 2014.

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

HARRIET KALIEMEYN

Secretariat